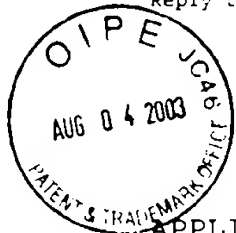


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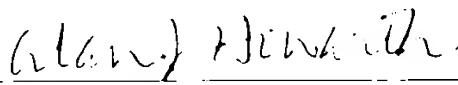
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Enclosed herewith is a Petition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), wherein it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period for responding to the Office Action be extended for three months until July 29, 2003. Also enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$465.00 for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, and authorization for the Commissioner to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 50-0836.

In response to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.